

SUPREME COURT OF ARIZONA

STATE OF ARIZONA,) Arizona Supreme Court
) No. CR-97-0349-AP
 Appellee,)
) Maricopa County Superior
 v.) Court
) No. CR-94-11397
 AARON SCOTT HOSKINS,)
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 Appellant.)
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STATE OF ARIZONA,) Arizona Supreme Court
) No. CR-98-0376-AP
 Appellee,)
) Maricopa County Superior
 v.) Court
) No. CR-93-08116
 DARREL PETER PANDELI,)
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 Appellant.)
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STATE OF ARIZONA,) Arizona Supreme Court
) No. CR-00-0508-AP
 Appellee,)
) Mohave County Superior
 v.) Court
) No. CR-98-1243
 JAMES EDWARD DAVOLT, II,)
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 Appellant.)
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O R D E R

Each Appellant has filed a Motion for Discovery Regarding *Ex Parte* Communications.

The court has not received any *ex parte* communications from the Attorney General or any other party. Copies of the Attorney General's letters to Governor Hull and the Presiding Superior Court Judges were sent to Justice Feldman and Justice Ryan as members of the Capital Case Commission. Those letters were shared with the court. The

Attorney General, of course, has no authority to issue directives to judges. See Ariz. Const. art. III. This court does not permit, receive, or consider *ex parte* communications.

This court will take such action in these and the other consolidated cases as will be appropriate following briefing and oral argument. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that the Motion for Discovery Regarding *Ex Parte* Communications is denied.

Dated this _____ day of July, 2002.

STANLEY G. FELDMAN
Duty Justice